

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :  
Yoshiichiro KASHIWAGI et al. :  
Serial No. NEW : **Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH**  
Filed March 16, 2004 : **Attorney Docket No. 2004\_0364**  
A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR :  
REPRODUCING BITSTREAM HAVING :  
NON-SEQUENTIAL SYSTEM CLOCK :  
DATA SEAMLESSLY THEREBETWEEN :  
(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional :  
of Serial No. 10/335,885, :  
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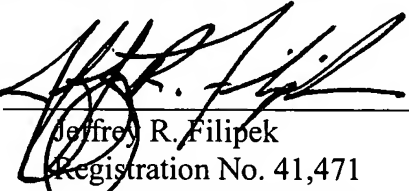
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Respectfully submitted,

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